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REMARKS

The Applicant respectfully requests that the examiner enter the amended claims listed above.

Claims 1, 3 and 4 were rejected for being indefinite under 35 U.S.C. § 112 due to a deficient transitional phrase. Claims 1, 3 and 4 are cancelled.

Claims 1, 3 and 4 were rejected as obvious under 35 U.S.C. § 103 over Marzoni (U.S. 4,055,348). Marzoni discloses a word game that comprises forming a word based upon the roll of three 20-sided die having all 20 English language consonants. Although Marzoni disclosed a complicated algorithm for determining which consonants should be included on the 20-sided die, the examiner claims using each consonant once on each die is obvious. Claims 1, 3 and 4 have been cancelled.

Claim 3 was rejected as obvious under 35 U.S.C. § 103 over Marzoni (U.S. 4,055,348) in view of Koopman (U.S. 6,824,136). Koopman discloses using a six-sided vowel die in a word formation game. Claim 3 has been cancelled.

Claims 5 - 17 are added directed to a method of playing a word game in accordance with the specification and the present invention. In light of the amendments to the claims, it is believed that the application is in condition for allowance.

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